

Exhibit Z

Copy of Claim 41 as Currently Pending

Claim 41. (Previously Presented) A surgical procedure to be conducted on a patient, said surgical procedure comprising the steps of removing tissue from a first location in the patient's body, separating one or more components from at least a portion of the tissue removed from the patient's body, and implanting the tissue at a second location in the patient's body after separating one or more components from at least a portion of the tissue, wherein said step of implanting the tissue at the second location includes inserting a cannula into the patient's body, moving a surgical instrument through the cannula, removing tissue from the second location, said step of removing tissue from the second location includes using the surgical instrument inserted through the cannula, and, thereafter, performing said step of inserting tissue removed from the first location in the patient's body at the second location in the patient's body.

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Claim 1. A method of harvesting and utilizing a human patient's body tissue, said method comprising the steps of cutting tissue at a first location in a patient's body, removing cut tissue from the patient's body during performance of said step of cutting tissue, said step of removing cut tissue from the patient's body including utilizing suction to move cut tissue from the first location in the patient's body to a location outside of the patient's body during performance of said step of cutting tissue, compacting the cut tissue to decrease the volume of a mass of the cut tissue from a first volume to a second volume which is smaller than the first volume, and thereafter, inserting the compacted cut tissue into an opening formed at a second location in the patient's body.

Claim 10. A method as set forth in claim 1 wherein said step of cutting tissue includes rotating a drive shaft and cutting tool connected to the drive shaft, said step of utilizing suction to move cut tissue from the first location in the patient's body includes connecting a first passage disposed in the drive shaft with a source of suction and moving the cut tissue along the first passage, said method further including conducting a flow of fluid to the first location in the patient's body along a second passage disposed between the drive shaft and a sleeve extending around the drive shaft while moving cut tissue along the first passage.